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Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that the references listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 be made of record in the present application. A copy of each reference is enclosed.

These references were cited in an International Search Report and Written Opinion from a corresponding PCT application.

In addition, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner that SEQ ID NO: and the corresponding cDNA clone of this application are related to:

- (a) SEQ ID NO: 625 in copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/975,985;
- (b) SEQ ID NO: 4784 in copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/799,180; and
  - (c) SEQ ID NO:11108 in copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/798,074;

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The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-3425 for any fee which may be required in connection with this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

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